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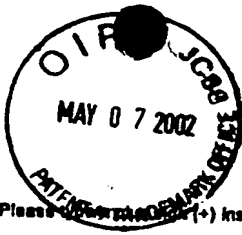
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- - The shuttle blow molding apparatus of the present invention also
includes apparatus for moving each mold set, in sequence, to an elevated
position in which it grasps a length of extruded tube and then outwardly in a first
transverse direction and downwardly to permit the other mold set to engage

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